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## Brinks Gilson & Lione Attorney Smith Presents on 3D Printing Patent Issues at RAPID 2016 Conference

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**CHICAGO**—Brinks Gilson & Lione patent attorney and shareholder Stephen C. Smith was a featured presenter at RAPID 2016, a 3D technology conference, on May 17, 2016 at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida.

Smith spoke on “Patent Considerations for a Growing 3D Printing Company.” He discussed the current climate for patent eligibility of 3D printing technologies, and offered strategies for acquiring and defending strong patent rights.

Smith focuses his practice on patent prosecution, due diligence, counseling, licensing, and complex litigation in the mechanical and electrical arts. He has experience working with consumer products, automotive components, medical devices, and commercial, industrial, and construction equipment.

Brinks was a sponsor of RAPID 2016’s “Innovation Audition,” a forum for conference participants seeking partners, investors, or sales opportunities to audition their innovations. Smith served on a panel of investors and technology experts to provide feedback on the presentations.

Entering its 26th year, RAPID attracts buyers, sellers, and end-users of design, prototyping, tooling, and direct digital 3D technologies for discovery, innovation, and networking. More information is available at <http://www.rapid3devent.com>.

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